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INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 791

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TO: Iowa Medicaid Dental Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

RE: Change in Pregnancy Co-Pay Code W5022 to D001P

EFFECTIVE: Upon Receipt

Informational Letter 753 dated September 29, 2008 directed that procedure code W5022 be entered in Box 29 (Procedure Code) on the dental claim form to indicate that a female patient 21 years of age and older is pregnant. The change was made to ensure that the \$3.00 co-pay amount would not be deducted from these claims.

The Iowa Medicaid Enterprise encourages and supports the submission of electronic claims. Since electronic dental claims will only accept dental codes beginning with a "D," W5022 has been changed to D001P to allow for both electronic and paper submission of dental claims for adult women who are pregnant. Effective immediately, please use D001P instead of W5022 for adult pregnant females. Procedure code W5022 will be ended in the Medicaid claims payment system for service dates on or after May 1, 2009.

Any denied electronic claims that were billed with W5022 for service dates on or after October 1, 2008 should be resubmitted using D001P.

Box 24 for Procedure Date on the claim form must indicate the date of service. Box 31 for Submitted Fee may be left blank. Do not note "pregnant" in Box 35 (Remarks) on the dental claim form.

The dental services provided should be billed using the appropriate procedure code(s) in addition to D001P. D001P should not be billed alone without any other procedure.

As with W5022, D001P will not generate any Medicaid payment for the code. Rather, it will signal the Medicaid claims payment system to not subtract the co-pay from the total reimbursement amount.

Note to electronic billers using the free Medicaid PC-ACE software to bill IME: You will need to manually add "D001P" to your reference file maintenance screen. Please call Courtney Lamb at 515-725-1390 if you need assistance.

If you have any other questions, please contact IME Provider Services, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-725-1004 or by e-mail at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.